



KALAMAZOO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
1500 LAMONT
KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN 49048

January 11, 2019

Dave Maass – MuckRock News,

The Kalamazoo County Sheriff's Office has searched all applicable documents to complete your request. We do not have any public record of any of the items listed in your FOIA requests. The Kalamazoo County Sheriff's Office does not utilize the items listed. Therefore, the requested records do not exist within this agency and your requests are denied.

APPEAL PROCEDURE

The Freedom of Information Act requires our Office to advise citizens of their right to make an appeal of the denial decision.

If you wish to file an appeal, you may appeal all or part of the decisions contained in this response by:

1. File a written appeal to our Office, which clearly bears the word "Appeal".
2. Mail your correspondence to:

Sheriff Richard Fuller
Kalamazoo County Sheriff's Office
1500 Lamont Avenue, Kalamazoo, MI 49048.

This appeal must identify the reason(s) why the Sheriff should reverse the decision(s) contained in this letter. If Sheriff Fuller affirms the decision(s) contained in this letter, you have the right to file an action in the Circuit Court to compel disclosure.

You also have the right to file an action in the Circuit Court to compel disclosure without first filing an Appeal with the Sheriff as indicated above. This action, however, must be

made within 180 days of the date of this correspondence for a denial. To appeal the fees the action must be made within 45 days of the date of this correspondence.

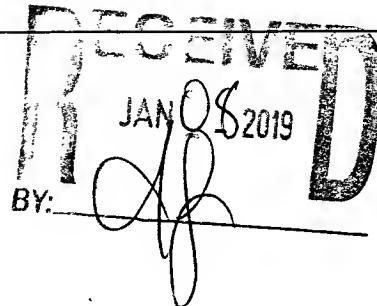
For denials, if you prevail in the Circuit Court, the Court shall Order the disclosure of the record/information. If the Circuit Court finds that the Sheriff acted arbitrarily and capriciously in denying your request, a \$1,000.00 fine shall be imposed as well as an award of punitive damages in the amount of \$1,000.00 and may also award to you your reasonable attorney's fees, any costs and disbursements.

You may contact our office should any questions in the future arise.

Sincerely,

Jessica Sutton
FOIA Coordinator
Kalamazoo County Sheriff's Office
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Kalamazoo County Sheriff
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January 3, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request the following records:

Materials related to this agency's acquisition of, access to, preservation of, or disclosure of automated license plate readers (ALPR) or ALPR data:

1. Policies related to the adoption of ALPR technology, including those guiding the procurement process or necessary administrative obligations before acquisition.
2. Training policies, requirements, and materials for automatic license plate reader system operators.
3. Databases used to compare data obtained by the automatic license plate reader system.
4. Policies related to the retention and security of captured ALPR data, including those regarding:
 - the length of time after capture that data may be preserved
 - exceptions to general data preservation policies
 - internal data security and access
 - data destruction
5. Policies related to the sharing of captured ALPR data by this agency with other agencies, including those directing:
 - the manner in which another agency may request data
 - the circumstances under which captured data may be shared, and
 - the responsibilities of the recipient agency in regards to data retention and use.
 - access by this agency to data obtained by automatic license plate reader systems not operated by the law enforcement agency.

Please also provide the number of requests made by outside agencies, if applicable.

6. Policies related to the sale of data or the sharing of data with non-law enforcement actors.
 - If applicable, please provide all agreements between this agency and non-law enforcement actors.
7. Policies regarding oversight of automatic license plate reader system use.

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8. Audit Reports

9. Policies related to maintenance and calibration.

Please also provide maintenance and calibration schedules and records for the system on file.

10. Any other policies or reports on subjects related to automatic license plate reader system use by the agency.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 5 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Dave Maass

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To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request the following records:

- 1) The names of agencies and organizations with which the Agency shares ALPR data;
- 2) The names of agencies and organizations from which the Agency receives ALPR data;
- 3) The names of agencies and organizations with which the Agency shares "hot list" information;
- 4) The names of agencies and organizations from which the Agency receives "hot list" information;

This information is easily available within the Agency's LEARN system. The simplest way to extract this data is to generate an "Agency Data Sharing Report" PDF file from within LEARN. To do this, a user may simply go to the "Sharing" section of LEARN and select "Output Report." A CSV/XLS file containing these records would also satisfy this request.

The instructions for extracting this data is described on pages 62-63 of the LEARN Agency Manager Guide, which may be found at this link:

<https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/3860685-LEARN-5-1-Agency-Manager-Guide.html>

An example of this record may be found at this link:

<https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/3936113-Palos-Verdes-Estates-Police-Department-Data.html>

A number of other agencies have regularly determined the above information constitutes a public record and have provided an "Agency Data Sharing Report." These agencies include:

Anaheim Police Department, Antioch Police Department, Bakersfield Police Department Chino Police Department, Clovis Police Department, Elk Grove Police Department, Fontana Police Department, Fountain Valley Police Department, Glendora Police Department, Hawthorne Police Department, Irvine Police Department, Livermore Police Department, Lodi Police Department, Long Beach Police Department, Montebello Police Department, Orange Police Department, Palos Verdes Estates Police Department, Red Bluff Police Department ,Sacramento Police Department, San Bernardino Police Department, San Diego Police Department, San Rafael Police Department, San Ramon Police Department, Simi Valley Police Department, and the Tulare Police Department.

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We further request the following records

The aggregate number of "detections" (i.e. license plate scans and associated data) collected during 2016.
The aggregate number of detections collected during 2017.
The aggregate number of detections collected during 2018.
The aggregate number of "hits" (i.e. times that a plate on a hotlist was detected) during 2016.
The aggregate number of "hits" during 2017.
The aggregate number of "hits" during 2018.

This information is easily available within the Agency's LEARN system. The simplest way to extract this data is to generate a "Dashboard Hit Ratio Report" PDF file from within LEARN. We would prefer the data for each year to be provided separately.

An example of this document may be found at:

<https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/3870802-Sacramento-PD-Hit-Ratio-Rpt-010112-051917-Redacted.html>

The instructions for extracting this data is described on pages 78-79 of the LEARN Agency Manager Guide, which may be found at this link:

<https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/3860685-LEARN-5-1-Agency-Manager-Guide.html>

The following agencies have regularly determined the above information constitutes a public record and have provided an "Dashboard Hit Ratio Report." These agencies include:

Anaheim Police Department; Bakersfield Police Department; Chino Police Department; Clovis Police Department; Elk Grove Police Department; Fontana Police Department; Irvine Police Department; La Habra Police Department; Laguna Beach Police Department; Lodi Police Department; Sacramento Police Department; San Diego Police Department; San Ramon Police Department; and the Red Bluff Police Department.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

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Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 5 business days, as the statute requires.

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